

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 607

Introduced by Assembly Member Goldberg

February 17, 2005

An act to amend Section 41601 of the Education Code, relating to school finance.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 607, as introduced, Goldberg. School finance: average daily attendance calculation.

Under existing law, the amount of state school funding apportioned to each school district for each fiscal year is calculated according to the base revenue limit of that district, as specified, and average daily attendance in the regular public elementary and secondary schools is determined for this purpose by dividing the total number of days of attendance allowed in all full school months in each apportionment period by the number of days the schools are actually taught in all full school months in each period, as specified.

This bill, instead, would calculate that average daily attendance by dividing the total number of days of active enrollment by pupils allowed in all full school months in each apportionment period by the number of days the schools are actually taught in all full school months in each period, as specified.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 41601 of the Education Code is
2 amended to read:

41601. For the purposes of this chapter, the governing board of each school district shall report to the Superintendent of ~~Public Instruction~~ during each fiscal year the average daily attendance of the district for all full school months during (1) the period between July 1 and December 31, inclusive, to be known as the “first period” report for the first principal apportionment, and (2) the period between July 1 and April 15, inclusive, to be known as the “second period” report for the second principal apportionment. Each county superintendent of schools shall report the average daily attendance for the schools and classes maintained by him or her and the average daily attendance for the county school tuition fund.

Each report shall be prepared in accordance with instructions on forms prescribed and furnished by the Superintendent of ~~Public Instruction~~. Average daily attendance shall be computed in the following manner:

(a) (1) The average daily attendance in the regular elementary, middle, and high schools, including continuation schools and classes, opportunity schools and classes, and special day classes, maintained by the school districts shall be determined by dividing the total number of days of attendance allowed in all full school months in each period by the number of days the schools are actually taught in all full school months in each period, exclusive of Saturdays or Sundays and exclusive of weekend makeup classes pursuant to Section 37223.

(2) *Commencing with the 2006-07 fiscal year, the average daily attendance in the regular elementary, middle, and high schools, including continuation schools and classes, opportunity schools and classes, and special day classes, maintained by school districts shall be determined by dividing the total number of days of active enrollment by pupils allowed in all full school months in each period by the number of days the schools are actually taught in all full school months in each period, exclusive of Saturdays or Sundays and exclusive of weekend makeup classes pursuant to Section 37223.*

(b) The attendance for schools and classes maintained by a county superintendent of schools and the county school tuition fund shall be reported in the same manner as reported by school districts. The average daily attendance in special education classes operated by county superintendents of schools shall be

1 determined in the same manner as all other attendance under
2 subdivision (a). The average daily attendance in all other schools
3 and classes maintained by the county superintendents of schools
4 shall be determined by dividing the total number of days of
5 attendance in all full school months in the first period by a
6 divisor of 70, in the second period by 135 and at annual time by
7 175. For attendance in special classes and centers pursuant to
8 Section 56364 or Section 56364.2, as applicable, the average
9 daily attendance shall be reported by the county superintendents
10 of schools, but credited for revenue limit purposes to the district
11 in which the pupil resides.

12 (c) The days of attendance in classes for adults and regional
13 occupational centers programs shall be reported in the same
14 manner as all other attendance under subdivision (a). The
15 average daily attendance in those schools and classes shall be
16 determined by dividing the total number of days of attendance in
17 all full school months in the first period by a divisor of 85 in the
18 second period by 135 and at annual time by 175.